

PRO500-c: Develop a Complete Permit Application

See also: [Environmental Manual – Chapter 500](#)

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Start procedure: Environmental Coordinator determines permit predecessors such as completion of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/ State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) documentation and technical memos or reports.

End procedure: Environmental Coordinator submits complete permit application to resource agency(ies).

Actor:	Action:
Environmental Coordinator	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Determine permit predecessors such as completion of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)/ State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) documentation and technical memos or reports.2. Consult resource agency to determine other permit requirements.<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For local agencies, determine required permit application since some do not accept the Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application (JARPA).
Environmental Technical Specialists	<ol style="list-style-type: none">3. Submit technical documents to Environmental Coordinator.
Environmental Coordinator	<ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Fill out permit application.<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use information from the Environmental Review/Classification Summary, the SEPA checklist, and the Biological Assessment.• Coordinate as needed to get avoidance and minimization information from design team and Environmental Technical Experts. See PRO-500-b Seek Avoidance & Minimization Opportunities.• Use the Complete Permit Application Guidance for Clean Water Act Section 404, Clean Water Act Section 401, Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), and Hydraulic Project Approvals (HPA) permits.• Be sure to use reader friendly language and define acronyms.• Consult with resource agency with any permit related questions.

	<p>5. Coordinates with Microstation or Geographic Information System (GIS) expert to develop required permit drawings and cross sections.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use the Complete Permit Application Drawing Guidance for Corps drawing requirements. Use the checklist to verify all regulatory requirements are included. • Make sure the numbers in the permit application match the numbers in the drawings. <p>6. Create permit application package that includes permit predecessors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be sure to carefully QA/QC before submitting the permit application package (RCW 47.85.020 (3) & (4)). <p>7. Submit permit application package to Environmental Manager or Supervisor for review. May also need to have Project Engineer (PE) or Design Team's review, depending on region policy.</p>
Design Team	8. Review permit application and provide comments.
Environmental Coordinator	9. Incorporates edits into permit application package.
Environmental Manager/Supervisor	10. Review permit application and provide comments.
Environmental Coordinator	<p>11. Finalize permit application package, including getting appropriate signatures.</p> <p>12. Submit complete permit application to resource agency(ies).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be sure to follow resource agency's instructions for electronic or hard copy submittals. • This typically occurs at ~60% design.